

STILL FIGHTING IN CUBA, AND STATE OFFICIALS ANXIOUS

Reports From Cuban Secretary of State Not Taken Seriously.

Despite the optimistic statements accredited to Secretary of State, the Cuban house of representatives, who declared the revolution on the island is on the wane, high officials of the State Department today announced that the situation is as acute as ever and that the United States has no intention of withdrawing marines from the trouble zone.

The warships anchored in Cuban waters will not be withdrawn as long as there is any indication that Gomez is unable to check the revolt. This is the opinion of every person in charge of the foreign relations of this Government.

Reports that come daily to Washington from consular agents and naval officers in Cuba indicate that the insurgents are carrying on their campaign at will and that there is but little opposition. The bulk of the rebel force in Cuba is understood to be a force of between 700 and 1,000 men operating throughout the Guantanamo district from a point east of Ramon de Vaqueas to the coast of Jamaica and north of Tiguabos under the command of General Rutenow, whose headquarters are near Belona where there are 400 to 1,500 men under command of General Rutenow, who is operating in groups of 500 or more throughout the district covered by Ramon de Vaqueas, Pinar del Rio, La Vega, and the Sagua valley south to the coast. 1,000 men under Rodriguez with headquarters near Palma Soriano, operating throughout the district covered by Cauto Abajo, Varadero, San Juan, and El Cobre, 400 men under Antomarchi with headquarters near Sonso, Losongos, operating to the west and south of El Cobre as far as Cauto River.

Of these commanders, Antomarchi and Rodriguez are the most active, although frequent minor conflicts have occurred in all districts.

To last night less than 500 colored insurgents had accepted the amnesty proposal which will expire tomorrow. It is understood that no weapons have been given up by the rebels.

YOUNG GIRL HURT IN STREET CAR CRASH
Boston Trolleys. Manned By Strike-breakers, Colide.

BOSTON, June 21.—Sadie Abarg, seventeen years old, was knocked unconscious and perhaps fatally injured, and a score of men, women, and children passengers on a Grove Hall car were thrown to the street and injured today when two cars, manned by strike-breaking crews, crashed on Blue Hill avenue, near Stanwood street. Many others were cut by flying glass.

Late last night a score of passengers were injured and a riot barely stopped when two cars crashed at the Northampton street terminal. Both cars and men were arrested on charges of drunkenness.

Education Bureau Heads on Program
Washington school officials and teachers will not attend the annual convention of the National Education Association at Chicago, July 6-12, in overwhelmingly large numbers. Refusal of railroads to grant rates is one cause, another is press of work here. Superintendent Davidson, however, whether he will be able to go, and Assistant Superintendent E. L. Thurston will be unable to attend.

The United States Bureau of Education will be represented by at least two men, Commissioner F. P. Claxton and Fletcher B. Dressler. The latter, who is a specialist on school hygiene, will take part in the program of Thursday evening, July 12, dealing with the public schools and the public health.

Dr. Harvey W. Wiley will also read a paper that evening.

Col. Blunt Retired.
Upon his own application Col. Stanhope E. Blunt, U. S. A., was yesterday retired from the army. Colonel Blunt was born in Massachusetts in 1859, and recently had been in charge of the Springfield Armory, Mass.

DOCTORS FIGHTING OVER NOMINATIONS IN MEETING HERE

Spirit of Chicago Extends to Eclectic Medical Association.

Possibly catching a little of the spirit of the Chicago convention the physicians attending the convention of the National Eclectic Medical Association met up a little contest among themselves today and were still disagreeing late this afternoon. Where the next convention is to be held is the point at issue.

A committee on nominations and recommendation of the 1913 convention city adjourned from the convention hall to a private room early this morning and without any disagreement whatever named a list of officers which the convention is said to be sure to endorse this afternoon, without change.

But when the question of the next convention came up the committee found itself at loggerheads and debate lasted for hours. The strife is between advocates of Dallas and St. Louis, and failing agreement probably will be fought out on the floor of the convention.

A nomination for officers are as follows:

President—F. L. Wilmett, Lincoln, Neb.
First vice president—C. M. Ewing, Harrisburg, Pa.
Second vice president—Mary R. Morey, Smyth, Va.
Third vice president—George B. Bristol, Middlebury, Conn.
Recording secretary—W. P. Best, Indianapolis, Ind.
Corresponding secretary—W. M. Mundy, Forest, Ohio.

Resolved—E. G. Sharp, Guthrie, Okla. The last three officers are re-elected. The usual sort of resolutions of thanks were adopted. Other resolutions provide for minor changes in the constitution of the association. It is understood that Philadelphia will get the 1914 convention with a struggle and the 1915 convention will be held at San Francisco while the exposition is on.

DIPHTHERIA TAKES RANK AS BEST ENEMY OF ARMY

Epidemic in Cuba Among Soldiers Calls for Extreme Measures.

An alarming and sustained epidemic of diphtheria has broken out in Manila, according to reports coming to the Public Health and Marine Hospital Service. The disease in Manila has been steadily increasing since the American occupation, and the Public Health Service is taking stringent measures to suppress it.

Those suspected of having the disease are being isolated and held in the hospital until at least two negative cultures have been obtained.

A new set of regulations aimed specifically at diphtheria has been issued to all physicians and hospitals in Manila and throughout the islands.

Deaths from diphtheria have shown a steady increase since 1900, with the exception of the year 1909, when the number fell off, only seven cases and no deaths being reported. To date in 1912 there have been thirty-nine cases and twelve deaths, despite the fact that antitoxin has been used in all but two cases.

Since the recent introduction of exact methods in diagnosing the cases, twenty-five germ carriers have been caught in the contagious ward of the detention hospital.

The increase in diphtheria is attributed by the health authorities to the number of cases brought to Manila by sailors and soldiers coming in on the transports.

Calf Has No Tail.
HAGERSTOWN, Md., June 20.—Minus a tail a calf was born on the farm of Joseph Shoop, near Shippensburg, yesterday. All farmers in the vicinity are paying visits to Shoop to see the freak animal. Some scientists have evinced some interest in the calf, which is apparently normal in all other respects.

MILK DEALERS TO FIGHT RESTRICTION AGAINST BACTERIA

Plans to Be Made at Meeting for Opposing Health Regulations.

Seeking to present a united front to the Health Department of the District, and to fight the enforcement of what they allege are unjust regulations, the milk dealers of the city held a meeting at the office of C. G. Dade & Co., 403 East Capitol street, today.

The direct purpose of the meeting is to raise funds to pay for the legal expenses of appealing to the highest court the conviction of dealers under the milk regulations, particularly those relating to "an excessive amount" of bacteria in the lactical fluid.

"We simply seek justice," said Mr. Dade, one of the principal organizers of the meeting, today. "The Health Department is imposing some impossible regulations upon us. We can no more deliver ice-cold milk in the summer than the baker can deliver hot, steaming bread in the winter. There is no milk without bacteria. One of the Health Office experts, in testifying before Judge Muldowny in the recent test case, stated he knew of only one case of milk free of bacteria, and that was under what were practically laboratory conditions."

"There is only one way in which I could deliver milk without bacteria to my patrons. That would be to have a huge automobile truck, equipped with a cold storage plant, and move it from the farm to the city every day. That is the only way to meet the Health Office's requirements, and even then there would be considerable doubt as to whether there was an excess of bacteria in the milk."

"As a matter of fact, the milk dealers of the city are at the mercy of the phrase 'excessive' bacteria. We are going to appeal this case until we obtain justice."

William Harrantz is president of the Washington Milk Dealers' Association. H. L. Black is secretary and treasurer, and the executive committee is composed of C. G. Dade, John Gregg, A. W. Castle, William Murphy, and M. Thompson.

LAUNCHING DEVICE TO FLY AIR CRAFT FROM SHIP'S DECK

Machine Being Constructed at Annapolis Operated by Compressed Air.

A new device for the launching of a hydroaeroplane from the deck of vessels is being constructed at Annapolis. The design is Capt. Washington L. Chambers, commanding officer of the Navy Aviation School.

It is understood the new device soon will be tried out at the Washington Navy Yard, from the deck of one of the smaller cruisers that can get up in the Eastern branch of the Potomac.

Lieut. Ellison will give the new device its first test.

It will be operated by compressed air, and will take up far less room than the clumsy track apparatus now in use. The machine, which is known as a catapult launcher, seems to be just what is needed. If it proves a thorough success, the problem of launching a hydro from the deck of a ship will be solved.

Lieutenant Ellison later in the summer possibly will attempt a hydro flight down the Chesapeake bay to the mouth of the Potomac, and then up the river to the local Navy yard, from which he will give the catapult launcher of official tests before aviation experts in Washington.

Heflin to Speak.
Congressman J. Thomas Heflin of Alabama will address the Baltimore Conference Itinerants' Club of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the Monumental City tonight. Bishop Homer C. Stuntz and other church dignitaries also will participate.

Liberal Elected.
LONDON, June 21.—S. Arnold, a liberal, was today elected to parliament from the Holmhithe division of York-shire in a by-election. The seat is nominally liberal.

SISSON FAILS TO CHECK EXTENSION OF STATION PLAZA

House Votes to Continue Policy of Acquiring Land for Parking.

After three hours' debate, the House decided today to continue the policy of acquiring land for parking purposes between the Capitol grounds and the Union Station. Congressman Sisson of Mississippi offered an amendment to the sundry civil appropriation bill to repeal the act of 1910, which authorized the condemnation of the land at the rate of \$500,000 a year.

The amendment drew forth heated remarks concerning the policy that the Government should adopt with reference to the beautification of Washington and no less fervent remarks about the parliamentary rules involved.

Washington was extolled as the most beautiful city of the greatest nation by one speaker and pitied as the stamping ground of a host of real estate operators by another; the need of parks and fine boulevards was urged by one, while another declared that there are now so many parks here that one can easily become lost.

Congressman Hull said that the section of the city in which the land involved in condemnation proceedings is situated is depreciating in value and that the existing measure offered the owners an opportunity to unload property on the Government which they could not sell at a good price to anyone else.

Sisson's amendment, which would have stopped the entire policy of Congress in extending the parking system of the city, was first defeated 24 to 32. Tellers were then sought, and on a teller vote the amendment was defeated 38 to 29.

Sisson subsequently offered two other amendments, hoping to reduce the area which Congress is to acquire. One of these amendments was ruled out on a point of order and the other was voted down.

GOING TO SEATTLE IN HANFORD CASE
Three Members of Congress To Take Up Charges Against Justice.

Congressmen Graham and McCoy will leave today for Seattle, where, with Congressman Higgins, now in Chicago, they will investigate the charges made against Judge Cornelius H. Hanford, of the district Federal court.

The charges made against Judge Hanford were first published through the activity of Congressman Berger. Subsequently other charges were filed with Congressman Norris, of the House Judiciary Committee.

Judge Hanford made application yesterday to Judge William F. Gilbert, of the circuit court of appeals for the district in which Washington is situated, for the appointment of a judge to hear cases coming before the court pending the conclusion of the investigation. It is said to be the purpose of Judge Hanford to retire from the bench temporarily, during the investigation, as soon as he has completed a case now proceeding before him.

Orders Issued for Laying Water Mains
Orders for laying the following eight-inch water mains have been issued by the District Engineer Department: In Macomb street, between Thirty-fifth and Thirty-sixth streets, 96 feet; in Thirty-fifth street, south of Macomb street, 185 feet; in the north side of I street, and Florida avenue, east from Eighteenth street, 130 feet; and in the east side of Eighteenth street, between I and California streets, 30 feet.

A storm outlet sewer has also been ordered between the intersection of Adams Mill road and Kenyon street and Rock creek, through the grounds of the Zoological Park.

Loses Suit.
A verdict for the defendant was returned by a jury in Circuit Court No. 1, in the \$150,000 libel suit of William Wolff Smith, a newspaperman, against the publishers of Collier's Weekly. It was claimed by Smith that articles appearing in the weekly damaged his character and reputation.

MAN 68, BRIDE 18, FROM VIRGINIA, DENY ELOPING

Robert L. Bruce and Miss Gay E. Schooles Are Married Here.

Robert L. Bruce, of Trevillian, Va., aged sixty-eight years, and a veteran of the Confederate army, was married in this city yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock to Miss Gay E. Schooles, an eighteen-year-old girl of Beasley, Va. After the wedding Mr. and Mrs. Bruce denied that they had eloped to Washington, both saying that there were no objections from the girl's parents. "We just decided to be married in the National Capital," said Mr. Bruce. They left immediately for Baltimore, where they will spend their honeymoon.

The Rev. E. H. Swann, pastor of the Centennial Baptist Church, performed the ceremony. Just an hour before the ceremony the pastor received a telephone call asking him to come to the Plaza Hotel, in North Capitol street. He questioned the couple, and found out that Bruce was a widower, his wife having died about five years ago.

It is said that Bruce and the girl's father fought in the Confederate army together, and have been friends from early boyhood.

After spending their honeymoon in Baltimore the aged bridegroom and his bride will return to Trevillian, where they will make their home.

ARRANGING PLANS FOR FOURTH OF JULY

Meeting of Special Committee Is Called for Tomorrow.

Arrangements for Washington's "safe and sane" celebration of the Fourth of July will be completed at a meeting of the committee tomorrow in the office of Commissioner Rudolph, chairman. Patriotic exercises will be held at 10 o'clock on July 4 in the Hall of the Americans in the Pan-American Union building. John Barrett, director of the union, will deliver the principal address, and a general invitation is extended the public to attend.

Music will be furnished the day by four Government bands. The Marine Band will play at the Pan-American Union building before and after the exercises. The program commencing at 9:15 a. m. The First Infantry Band will play at the White Lot Ellipse from 10:45 a. m. to 12:45 p. m., during the day fireworks. Music will be furnished by the United States Engineer Band at the bathing beach from 12:50 to 3:30 p. m., and by the Fifteenth Cavalry Band in Potomac Park from 4:30 to 6:45 p. m.

At night there will be fireworks in Potomac Park, and Pennsylvania avenue will be illuminated.

Automobile Kills Boy.
NEW BRITAIN, Conn., June 21.—Ernest Goody, aged ten, son of E. C. Goody, was run down by the automobile driven by Maurice H. Pease, son of former Mayor L. E. Pease, near the Goody home in Trinity street, yesterday, and died an hour later of a fractured skull. The police took no action.

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